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TEXT OF NOTE LEFT BY JAPANESE AMBASSADOR BELGRADE
REPRESENTING BELGRADE CORE GROUP ON CALL JUL 30 ON GOY
DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MOJSOV:

QUOTE: 1. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ANOTHER CONFRONTATIONAL
DEBATE IN THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS DESIRABLE
AND WE WOULD PREFER CONSTRUCTIVE NEGOTIATIONS RATHER THAN
ANOTHER UNPRODUCTIVE EXCHANGE OF THE RESOLUTIONS.

2. IT IS MOST DESIRABLE, IN LIGHT OF THE SPIRIT OF
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THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THAT THE ISSUE OF

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PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE PENINSULA SHOULD BE SETTLED BASICALLY THROUGH DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA. FROM SUCH A STANDPOINT, WE WELCOMED THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT SEOUL AND PYONGYANG ON 4TH JULY, 1972, AND THE CONSENSUS STATEMENT ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON 28TH NOVEMBER 1973. WE STRONGLY HOPE THAT A DIALOGUE BETWEEN SOUTH AND NORTH WILL BE REVIVED AND DEVELOPED AS EXPRESSED IN THE SAID COMMUNIQUE. THE BEST CHANCE OF SECURING A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION TO THE KOREAN PROBLEM IS THROUGH RESUMED SOUTH-NORTH TALKS. RESUMPTION OF SUCH TALKS WILL AT THE SAME TIME ALLEVIATE THE TENSION PREVAILING IN THE PENINSULA.

3. THOSE MATTERS WHICH MAY HAVE THE EFFECT OF CHANGING THE STRUCTURE OF ARMISTICE OUGHT TO BE MOST CAREFULLY AND CAUTIOUSLY CONSIDERED FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE PENINSULA. TO ALTER THE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS OF THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT, WHICH ENDED HOSTILITIES IN KOREA 23 YEARS AGO AND HELPS TO KEEP THE PEACE TODAY, WITHOUT A PROPER AND ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTION, IS DANGEROUS. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE TO PRESERVE THE ARMISTIC AGREEMENT, WE ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE U.N. COMAND.

4. WE WELCOME AND SUPPORT DR. KISSINGER'S RECENT POLITICAL INITIATIVE ON KOREA FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:
(1) THE PROPOSAL PROVIDES A REALISTIC AND CONSTRUCTIVE MEANS TO FIND A LASTING SOLUTION TO THE KOREAN REUNIFICATION ISSUE.
(2) IT SUPPORTS THE CONCEPT THAT BOTH SIDES, INCLUDING THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WHICH REPRESENTS TWO-THIRDS OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE, SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT ANY CONFERENCE THAT CONSIDERS FUTURE SECURITY ARRANGE-MENTS FOR THE PENINSULA. TO DENY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA A FULL PARTICIPATION IN ANY NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FUTURE OF KOREA WOULD BE UNREALISTIC AND INEQUITABLE.
(3) IT ENCOURAGES THE PARTIES CONCERNED TO CONCENTRATE ON REAL ISSUES AT STAKE AND ENABLE THE CONFIDENTIAL

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UNITED NATIONS TO AVOID BECOMING EMBROILED IN ANOTHER STERILE DEBATE.
(4) IT PROVIDES AN IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL ELEMENT TO THE LAST YEAR'S PROPOSAL OF DR. KISSINGER IN SUGGESTING THE TIME AND PLACE TO MEET, AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR A CONFERENCE. END QUOTE.
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